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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Mr. Milo J. Bosshardt
Redmond Clay and Salt Company, Inc.
350 South State Street
Redmond, Utah 84652

Dear Mr. Bosshardt:

Re: Review of Revised Notice of Intention, Large Mining Operations, Redmond Clay and Salt Mines, M/039/002, San Pete County, Utah

I am responding to your letter of November 27, 1989 wherein you indicated a reluctance to continue the permitting efforts required for Redmond Clay and Salt, Inc. (Redmond) to acquire a reclamation permit for the above referenced mine. My desire is to keep the permitting effort alive, and I wish to state that my staff will look at the specifics of your mine site when reviewing a Mining and Reclamation plan for Redmond's operation.

The Division's options are limited when an operator refuses to submit the information required for a reclamation plan, or does not post bond. Your letter suggests that you may be considering discontinuance of the permitting process. I ask you to reconsider this, and in so doing contact Wayne Hedberg of my staff (538-5340) and establish a mutually agreeable schedule under which Redmond can complete the permit and bonding process. Please contact Mr. Hedberg by January 10, 1990, for establishment of a schedule for permit submission.

I have enclosed a copy of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act, Title 40-8, et. seq., as amended. You may wish to refer to section 40-8-20 wherein the Division's authority to regulate mining operations on privately owned land is established. There is also some flexibility in the Act and resultant regulations that can allow you to tailor your mining operation and the plan for final reclamation to meet the specifics of the mine site and post mining land use.

Sincerely

Lowell P. Braxton
Associate Director, Mining

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Enclosure
cc: D. W. Hedberg
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